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CAMPAIGE PLANS 10 PUT GOLODIAYA STEPPE TO FULL USE; OTHER POPULATION MOVES

PLAN MIGRATION TO GOLODNAYA STEPPE -- Stalinskoys Zzamya, No 19, 29 Jan 49

A group of Komsomols and youth of Andithan Oblast, in a letter to Komsomols and youth of the oblast and of Utber 88R, are appealing for aid in utilizing unused land on Golodnaya Steppe for cotton cultivation. Fifteen hundred Komsomols and youth ... Andithan Oblast have pledged voluntarily to emigrate to the steppe for this work. The plan needs not only rural and kolkhoz youth but city youth and intelligentsia -- agronomists, doctors, educational workers, teachers. Volunteers will settle permanently in kolkhozes situated in the regions of the steppe, and will start their expedition on the eve of the lith Congress of the VIKEM.

The letter is signed by the volunteers, including nine kolkhoz members from Leminskiy Rayon and five from Khaldyvanbekskiy Rayon; one MIS worker each from Leminskiy and Khaldyvanbekskiy Rayons; a secretary of the Komsonol organization at the oil plant and chief of the rayon division of cultural and educational institutions from Leminskiy Rayon; two workers in the Khaldyvanbekskiy Rayon Komsonol Committee and Kurduzkhon Rakhmanova, Secretary of the Khaldyvanbekskiy Rayon Komsonol Committee.

WOULD WORK IDER LAND -- Stalinskoy, Znamys, No 21, 1 Feb 49

The 12th Congress of the LESM Uzbekistan decreed that one of the most important tasks of the Konsomol of the Republic is to sugage the active participation of Konsomols and all youth in the development and use of idle land on the Goldmayn Steppe. The Congress appealed to all kelkher youth of Uzbekistan to land assistance to this work.

Kolthozes have already been set up in some regions of the steppe and have achieved an average harvest of 12 to 12 tends around so totton per hectare. Several Miles are in operation on the steppe cui the farktad GES will soon be put into operation. A large quantity of food and industrial goods have been sent to the steppe, new houses are being built, and all necessary living accommodations are being greated for the emigrants.

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Thousands of kolking families, particularly young a and women, now are emigrating to the steppe. Many Komsomols and youths fr. Leninskiy, Stalinskiy, and Khaldyranbekskiy Rayons, Andizhan Oblast, have expressed willingness to move there. Applications from youth in other chlasts of the Republic are increasing daily. Rural Komsomol organizations must educate kolkhoz youth in the significance of the appeal. (From an article by I. Ashurov, Secretary of the Andizhan Oblast Committee LEEM Uzbekistaz.)

20,000 KOMSOMOLS TO MIGRATE -- Stalinskoye Znamya, No 24, 5 Feb 49

The 12th Congress of the LKPM Uzbekistan decided that 20,000 Komsomols must emigrate to Golodnaya Steppe in order to make full use of the idle land in that region. Several rayons have not yet realized the importance of this task. There have been very few applications from Komsomols and youth in Altynkul'skiy, Dzhal-al-Kudukskiy, and Pakhta-Abadskiy rayons, and the emigration division of Andizhan Oblast executive committee has done nothing to further the cause. Farty and Komsomol organizations must make every effort to explain the program and privileges granted by the State to all migrants.

Sixty applications from Komsomols and youths for voluntary emigration to Golddnaya Steppe have been received in Khaldyvanbekskiy Rayon, and 49 in Altynkul'skiy Rayon, since publication of the appeal for volunteers. The administration of one kolkhoz in Andizhanskiy Rayon decided to give a bonus of 1,500 rubles to six Komsomols who volunteered.

PRIVILEGES FOR MIGRANT WORKERS -- Stalineroye Zmanya, No 23, 4 Feb 49

Many kolkhoz workers from various oblasts of the Uzbek SSR are planning to migrate in 1949 to newly-irrigated areas which are to be used for agriculture. Uzbek Komsomols are appealing for emigrants to Golodnaya Steppe, and rore than 500 Komsomols and youths have volunteered. Many kolkhoz workers have volunteered to migrate to newly-irrigated territory in inner Andizhan Oblast.

The State is offering many advantages and privileges to emigrants. Each group will be given free passage for thomselves and cattle, and for personal belongings up to 2 tons per family. All emigrants will be freed of previous debts incurred from agricultural taxes, obligatory deliveries of excicultural products to the state, and insurance payments. In the 2 years following their emigration, emigrants will be exempt from payments of the agricultural tax and cultural tax, insurance payments, and obligatory deliveries of agricultural products to the state.

Depending on meed, every migrant family will be given an advance food supply of up to 3 centners of grain, to be paid back over a 2-year period. Long-term credit, payable over a 5-year period, will be given for repair of homes and exterior buildings. Long-term credit of 5,000 rubles will be allowed each emigrant for housing construction, with an additional 300 rubles for household furnishings, and 1,000 rubles for domestic animals. Migrant families of Army personnel will be given a free grant of 500 rubles for household furnishings.

Special supplies of scarce construction materials, such as timber, glass, nails, cement, prefabricated structural parts, and other items will be made available to migrant families for construction of housing and exterior buildings.

200 MAIGRANTS MEET IN ANDIZHAN -- Stalinskoye Zmanya, No 25, 6 Feb 49

A meeting was held on a February for all those in Andizhanski, Rayon who have volunteered to migrate to Golodnaya Steppe. Representatives from all

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kolkhozes in the rayon, including persons of professions and skills, young men and women, cotton growers, construction workers, tractor operators, and truck drivers. Fearly 200 assembled and were addressed by Ashurov, Secretary of the Andizhan Oblast Committee LESM Uzbekistan. Agricultural brigades were formed and brigade leaders were elected.

2,000 VOLUNTEER IN ANDIZHAN OBLAST -- Stallmakoye Zmamya, No 28, 11 Feb 49

A conference of directors of Andizhan Oblast organization was held recently in the Andizhan Oblast Executive Committee to discuss preparations for departure of the first group of migrants to Golodnaya Steppe. Ashurov, Secretary of the Andizhan Oblast Committee LKSM Uzbekistan, reported that more than 2,000 applications were received from Komsomols and non-Komsomols youth. The commission remuited only the best workers from this group. The first group will leave Andizhan, 12 February. Preparations for the departure are being made in all tayons and cities of the Otlast.

MEN DEVELOPMENTS IN GOLODBATA STEPPE -- Stalinskoye Znanya, Mc 26, 8 Feb 49

The Bayautskiy Canal, first section of the 150-kilometer Southern Golodna; a Steppe main line canal, was laid in 1948, and preparations were made for construction of the 139-kilometer central Golodnaya Steppe canal. Scientists and specialists, including geologists, irrigation engineers, hydrotechnicians, soil scientists, botanists, have drawn up a plan for developing the area. This calls for natural irrigation of 630,000 hectares and machine irrigation of 50,000 hectares of desert land, or twise the area now used for cotton cultivation in the entire Fergana Valley. A number of large reservoirs have been planned for the Syr-Dar'ya Basin.

Planting of the first forest shelter belts was begin in 1948. Experts predict that, after the general plan has been put into effect, Golodnaya Steppe will produce nearly 10 million centuers of cotton, 23,000 tons of cocceas, 20,000 tons of meat, large number of caracul, large quantities of fruit, grapes, and vegotables. Matural resources of the region, other than agricultural, will provide for development of many types of industries.

Many new inhabitants are continually arriving in the area. At the end of 1948, 3,500 migrants from Eashka-Dar'ya Oblast arrived for work on kolkhozes.

SOVIET CITIZENS TO BE REPATRIATED -- Sovetskaya Belorussiya, No 44, 2 Mar 49

The Department of Migration and Repatriation, Soviet of Ministers, Belorussian SSR, conducts inquiries to find Soviet citizens driven away by Germans during World War II. The Department appets letters from relatives and friends, USSR citizens, to displaced Soviet citizens across the border. Letters will be delivered to the addressees by army officers in repatriation work abroad.

Imquiries should be addressed to Minsk, Government Building, left wing, 3d floor, Room 324.

MIGRATION TO JENIER AUTONOMOUS CRIAGT -- Molodcy, Dal'nerostochaik, No 6, 18 Jan ko

I. Furnistrov, Secretary of the Jewish Autonomous Oblast Committee of the



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VLKSM, reports that nearly 2,000 families of immigrants will arrive in the Jewish Autonomous Oblast in 1949. Komsomol organizations of the oblast are urged to make special efforts to make new arrivals velcome and assist them in their work.

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